Prayer for Youth

"Let the children come to me." (Mt. 19:14)

Loving Father, you look with compassion on all your children, especially those who are vulnerable.

May we work to create a world in which every child has access to food, clean water, shelter, education, health care, and all other basic rights.

May we teach youth about their role in working for peace, justice and the common good.

May we act together to ensure that the lives and dignity of children everywhere can be respected. Amen.

As children of one heavenly Father we pray, "Our Father…"

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